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On May 22, the Embassy received a letter from Minister of Commerce, Consumer Affairs and Handicrafts Khouraichi Thiam, indicating that he would attend the AGOA Forum along with Maimouna Savane, Director General of the Senegalese Agency for Export Promotion (ASEPEX); Omar Samb, Director General of Agency for the Promotion and Development of Handicrafts (APDA); Cheikh Saadbou Seck, Director of External Commerce and key actor in organizing the AGOA Forum in Dakar in 2005; and Moctar Diakhate, Director of Handicrafts. The Senior Ministers of Foreign Affairs and Finance have yet to confirm their participation and may not until after the much-anticipated cabinet changes that are expected to follow parliamentary elections on June 13.

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